

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1-12 and 16-19 will be pending subsequent to entry of this Amendment.

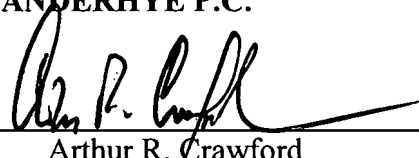
Responsive to the Official Action of June 22, 2007 and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicant elects the subject matter of claims 1-12, Group I, directed to a solid structure fabrication method. Newly added claims 16-19 are also directed to the elected subject matter. This response is made without traverse as non-elected claims 13 – 15 have been deleted without disclaimer and without prejudice to pursuing them in a divisional application.

Please examine the elected claims 1-12 and 16-19 on the merits taking into account the documents cited in (1) the International Search Report in the underlying PCT application as listed on the completed form submitted with the Preliminary Amendment of June 30, 2005 and (2) the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 10, 2006.

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